

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1179

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 01 2015

RE: S.R. No. 53
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.R.
No. 53 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO
ALLOW TEACHERS TO USE PURCHASING CARDS WHEN PURCHASING SCHOOL
SUPPLIES AND OTHER RELATED CURRICULUM SUPPORT SUPPLIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the
Department of Education to allow teachers to use purchasing cards
when purchasing school supplies and other related curriculum
support supplies.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the State Procurement Office and Hawaii State Teachers
Association. Your Committee received comments on this measure
from the Department of Education.

Your Committee finds that teachers are often responsible for
acquiring certain supplies and supplemental instructional
materials themselves. Allowing teachers to use purchasing cards,
rather than purchase orders, is a more efficient way for teachers
to acquire the supplies or supplemental instructional materials
needed for their classrooms.

Your Committee has amended this measure by clarifying that
the Department of Education is requested to:



- (1) Allow teachers to use purchasing cards or declining balance purchasing cards; and
- (2) Develop policies and procedures related to the use of purchasing cards or declining balance purchasing cards by teachers.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 53, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 53, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Education,



MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Eighth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Education
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:
SR 53	EDU, WAM	3/30/15
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____		
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
Nay	Excused	
KIDANI, Michelle N. (C)	✓	
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)	✓	
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne		✓
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓	
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.		✓
KOUCHI, Ronald D.		✓
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.		✓
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓	
SLOM, Sam	✓	
TOTAL	5	4
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 		
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes